

EXHIBIT A

EPDS 1

INSTRUCTIONS AND EXPLANATIONS ALL DONATED FOODS EXCLUDING BULK POULTRY AND NONFAT DRY MILK

This form can be used for both substitutable and non-substitutable donated food (DF) end products. All end products to be processed must be submitted on an End Product Data Schedule (EPDS) and approved by the applicable government agency. Summary Data from the EPDS should be submitted on the Summary EPDS A, except for meat or poultry processed under guaranteed minimum return which should be summarized on SEPDS B. Guaranteed Return for Meat Processing is submitted on EPDS 1 and summarized on SEPDS A. Non fat dry milk and Substitution of Commodity Cheese per FD-049, should use EPDS 4.

If two forms of the same DF, such as coarse ground beef and fine ground beef, are to be processed, submit a separate EPDS for each DF when the percent guaranteed return is different.

For all calculations, use normal round-off procedures to two (2) decimal places.

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| Column 1 | List finished end product code and product name as it appears on label. |
| Column 2 | Net weight of one case of finished product as shown on the label. |
| Column 3 | Indicate the number of servings per case. |
| Column 4 | Indicate the net weight of each serving and the DF component weight if applicable. |
| Column 5 | Use commodity code and short title for each donated food used as an ingredient. Using one line per ingredient, name each ingredient contained in raw batch. Spices and seasonings may be aggregate. A list may be attached to show ingredients other than DF. |
| Column 6 | Across from each ingredient indicate the quantity in pounds of that ingredient which goes into the raw batch formula. Enter total batch weight. It is recommended that actual batch weight be used where possible, but a hypothetical batch weight (i.e. 100 lbs) can be used if the proportion of ingredients remains the same regardless of batch size. |

Note: Column 7 through Box 11 are completed for the donated food only

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| Column 7 | The number of cases of finished product produced per the size batch given in Column 6. This figure should represent average batch production for substitutable DF verified by production records. This column represents the guaranteed minimum return for non-substitutable DF. Cases produced above the guarantee must be returned. |
| Column 8 | The amount of raw DF required to produce one case of finished product is calculated by dividing the weight of DF (Column 6) by the number of cases of end product (Column 7). |
| Column 9 | This is the average percentage of manufacturing yield for all processing of each finished product. For cooked product, this also represents the cooking loss of the DF. |
| Column 10 | This is the amount of DF contained per case of finished product. This is calculated by multiplying Column 8 x Column 9. This column shall be used for inventory reduction of substitutable DF and is the basis for calculating discount or refund for substitutable DF on the Summary End Product Data Schedule. |
| Box 11 | Percent guaranteed minimum return (GMR) is calculated by dividing Column 2 by Column 8. It applies only to meat and boneless poultry processing. |
| Grading Options | For meat grading, check if the meat is to be processed under Full Certification (MGC 640) or Process Control Certification Program (PCCP) (MGC 638). |

Unless the state agency specifically requests you submit EPDS to them, submit this schedule as follows:

For red meat products:

by e-mail: gradinginfo@usda.gov
fax: not acceptable
USDA/AMS/LSP/MGCB
13952 Denver West Parkway
Denver West Office Building 53, Suite 350
Golden, CO 80401

For boneless poultry products:

by e-mail: Richard.Lawson@usda.gov
Fax: 202-690-3165
AMS Poultry Grading

For all other products:

By e-mail: NPA@fns.usda.gov By fax: (703) 305-2420
By mail: Food Distribution Division, FNS, 3101
Park Center Drive
Alexandria, VA 22302